Loca: A Kitty Adoption Success Story

A few years ago, I was going through some life transitions—I got a new job, broke up with my boyfriend of three years, and moved to a different apartment—all in the same month. I decided a good friend would help me get through it.

I visited the Chula Vista Animal Care facility and spent what seemed like hours trying to decide which kitty to get. The



staff was so patient with me as I kept opening cages and getting to know the cats. That's when I met Loca. She was really sweet, with a crazy side (thus the name, "Loca")—she was so excited about being out of her enclosure that she was literally bouncing off the walls. I wanted a female, she made me laugh, and I figured black fur would probably go best with my wardrobe. She was a perfect fit.

After the staff did a little research on her background, I found out that she had been at the facility for months. When she arrived, she had a severe upper respiratory infection and almost died. Her love for life must have kept her going—she eventually got healthy and was ready for adoption. They told me she was so sweet and they didn't understand why no one wanted her. That sealed the deal and I brought her home. She hasn't been sick since.

Loca still makes me laugh and I enjoy coming home to her every day. She's a great companion and I don't know what I'd do without her. I am thankful I adopted her that day! And I know she's thankful, too.

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